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BRYAN, TEXAS, THURSDAY MORNING, MARCH 19, 1903.

# EXTREMELY CRITICAL/DESPERATE SITUATION

# FRIGHTENED BLACKS. REFUGEES FLOCK IN.

At Marion, Ark., Negroes in Abject Every Available Building in the Place and Refuse to Work.

Memphis, March 18.—The flood situation in the portion of the Mississippi valley contiguous to Memphis is extremely critical. It was thought at first that the break in the levee at Trice's landing would help matters by relieving the pressure of the water and causing a fall at this point. Instead of this the break has complicated conditions by flooding a vast area rate and flooding the in Arkansas across the Mississippi from Memphis and a veritable sea exists in the St. Francis and Mississip- rapid encroachment of the flood. pi river basins extending from the one completely to the other, a distance of many miles. From this territory a to house these unfortunates. The many miles. From this territory a the town is under water and the peocall for help has gone from persons the town, is under water, and the persons homes and on higher portions of the

Through this territory the St. Louis

At this latter point telegraph connections still exist to Memphis and the west are badly hampered by the are far from encouraging. The town is almost totally flooded and citizens cuing parties. The levee here is are using skiffs as their only means of travel. Negroes and white persons picked up by steamboats and brought of travel. Negroes and white persons from the adjacent territory are pour-turned over several buildings to their turned over several buildings to their asi that a boat be sent to their res There is no means of reaching them except by making a breach in the levee near Memphis and this may show no improvement. Sheriff Williamson of Critenden county, that it conditions which Marion is situated, has gone to the village in a skiff and will report his return to President

lough of the St. Francis levee board the true conditions there. timated that several hundreds of per-It is es. ons are surrounded by the water in Arkansas territory and that the amount of livestock is heavy in the extreme. begin to rescue the citizens and it seems that it will be imperative to

They have congregated at the depot and in the cabins of the village and that reached the village, arrived with back the water but the labor cannot be secured to unload the train.

A few floating bodies have been not situation at North Memphis is uncause of the shutting down of several Not a train is moving at Momphie.

A few floating bodies have been found at various points by the rescutour heats but the number has not yet faw and Cotton Relt found at various points by the rescuing beats, but the number has not yet taw and Cotton Belt.

Union depot is crowded with paster be made as the sections flooded sengers. Iron Mountain will take paster to Helena by boat. er be made as the sections flooded sengers to Helena by boat.

### THREE MILES WIDE

The Water Is Flooding Lower Section of

Concordia Parish. from Bougre, La., were to the effect rise of consequence since Saturday, that the break which destroyed the ables state, federal and district authorities to materially improve temporary levels in front of the city. The

water will make its way to the Red continue to noid.

The river and back into the Mississippi.

Sacks and lumber have been shipped leans and Kenner and Sarphy levees above Kenner and Sarphy levees. Sacks and lumber have been shipped above Kenner, and both are expected above to stand through the siers of high

With good weather for the past three days the crucial work on Sycamore levee in Concordia parish has been completed and all that remains to be done is to increase its height. The weakest point of this levee was The weakest point of this levee was in the rivetment work at the base where the boards had rotted causing the levee to wobble. A strong current a rise of three feet; New Orleans, 19.3 age repaired. The low places in Green's private levee, eighteen miles below Vidalia, have been filled with

### Elephant Dies on Steamer.

New York, March, 18.—Elephant Jingo, said to have been larger han Jum-bo, died at sea on the steamer Georgic, which has arrived from Live pool. animal's death occurred March 12 and

the huge body was buried at sea.

The animal show bough Jingo in London. The elephant had not traveled since infancy, and from the time of sailing at Liverpool it fretted and years old, twelve feet high, weighed to cover expenses of Germany's participation in the St. Louis exposition.

### Such Is Flood Situation in Section Marion, Ark., Is inta Bad Way as Result of the Flood,

Is Being Pressed Into Service to Properly Take Care of the Unfortunate People.

Memphis, March 18.-The river stood at 39.6 feet this morning and was stood at 39.6 feet yesterday and was stationary. The levees continue to hold and only one break is reported in the St. Francis system—that at Trice's The waters of the big stream are rushing through this crevasse at a fearful south. The town of Marion, in Crittenden county, is in desperate straits. and its inhabitants are alarmed at the dreds of refugees are in Marion homes and on higher portions of the country, and thus far it has been an lough of the St. Francis levee board and he announced that if the situation of the sit impossibility to send them assistance tion warranted it he would cut the

Through this territory the St. Louis and San Francisco railroad runs but all trains were annulled on this line, cases can they be verified. The body of an unknown white waman was found in the water near Mound City. levee near Mound City so as to allow steamboats to get through to Marion.
Reports of loss of life in remote found in the water near Mound City, and the corpse of a negro was taken from the overflowed district.

All railroads entering the city from rising torrent, and schedules have been annulled. From use and they are being cared for by

dispatch from Covington, Tenn., states that Island 35. sidered one of the highest in the north end of the river, is flooded for the first time in its history first time in its history. Sixty persons were rescued from the island by steam-

Reports from Helena state that the people of North Helena are alarmed over the flood situation. The levee before than part of the town will hold only one foot more of water, and a grea volume is yet to come from the Huntington levee, in Bolivar county, Mississippi, continues to hold. Hundreds of laborers are working day and night in an effort to strengthen the embankment at this point. Negroes at Marion have given away have been raised and regular schedules Yazoo and Mississippi Valley railroad to fright and almost a panic exists. resumed. The Illinois Central is runThey have congregated at the depot ning all trains and its officers do not anticipate and further trouble. The has opened its lines again. The tracks

### FULL OF HOPE.

Levee Board of New Orleans States That Everything Is Safe There.

New Orleans, March 18.-The river Natchez, Miss., aMrch 18.—Reports changed. In fact, there has been no from Bougre, La., were to the effect side of consequence since Saturday, opened up to more than three miles. The water is filling the swamp, flooding the lower section of Concordia parish across to Black river. This sion. All levees south of Red River. parish across to Black river. This sion. All levees south of Red River water will make its way to the Red continue to hold.

Sacks and lumber have been snipped to the scene of the break and the ends will be rivetted and braced so as to prevent further breaks.

above Kenner, and both are expected to stand through the siege of high train is carrying men and material to the scene.

### Situation Wednesday.

Washington, March 18.—The Ohio river fell 1.2 feet at Cairo, and as a consequence the Mississippi, while clichtly bigher at Mamphis can rise

### FIVE BOYS DROWN.

The Little Fellows Were Playing on a

Raft Which Capsized. Joplin, Mo., March 18.-News of the death of five boys was received here from Chatt, Indian Territory. The boys were playing on a raft, which capsized. The dead: Raymond Cro-ter Berry, Luther Berry.

Berlin, March 18.—The riechstag

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BRYAN, TEXAS, MAR. 19, 1903

The anti-free pass bill is said to be a dead one. Of course,

tracts of land in Texas and a num- This bulletin is from the agricul- Farmers Institute is to be held. ber of them will settle in the state.

The Mississippi river flood situation is very grave and much loss of life and property is reported.

Gov. Lanham has vetoed the bill to establish a home for idiots and imbeciles on the ground that the appropriation is insufficient and present institutions are in meed of funds that cannot be spar- all the bulletins without further ed for new ones.

Madisonville, now having a rail road, knows that to get business she must also have good dirt roads and her business league is considering the project of making two roads across the county, intersecting at the county seat.

#### College Notes.

The cadets who intend to enter the field day exercises have begun to train. The exercises will be held on April 21, and in addition to the regular program it is probable a base ball game will be

Mr. A. W. Hawks, the "Laughing Philosopher," will lecture at the College assembly hall Friday

A bulletin on "Tomato Culture" is being mailed out by the experiment station. This is a valuable treatise on the subject and will be sent free upon request by the Director of Stations.

Dr. Stephen L. Blount, a graduate of the College, who is now a veterinary surgeon of Temple, Tex., is spending a few days here visiting old friends.

Prof. W. D. Gibbs is visiting the Troupe experiment station.

Bulletin No. 65 of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station is on our table. The subject of Boers have options on several this bulletin is "The Tomato." meeting of the Brazos County tural section. It is full of the every kind of practical information the tomato grower needs. It will be cultural topics enlisted in this Middling uplands were quoted at sent free on application to W. D. great movement, will be on hand, 5.36. Sales 7000 bales. Gibbs, Director Agricultural Experiment Station, College Station, Texas. Not only may this bull illustrated lecture. letin be procured free, but on application to the director, stating what line or lines of farming you are interested in, you will receive tical interest to farmers. have your name taken off the list.

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Closing steady.

8.45-46.

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The futures market closed quiet.

SPOT COTTON

New Orleans,—Spots easy. Middling 9%. Sales 3750.

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"The Irish Pawnbrokers."

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erley, W. G. Taliaferro, W. Wip-

precht, W. T. Young, Ed S. Der-

den, Geo. A. Adams, R. J. Ford,

R. T. Boyle, W. A. Watkins, J.

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At the courthquee in Bryan, next | Special to Geo. W. Smith, Jr.: Thursday, March 26th, the next

Col. Bonner of Smith county, and also Prof. Atwater of Houston, will be present to deliver his practically unchanged quotations.

Prof. H. H. Harrington of the A. and M. College, has consented finally closed steady at 9.75 to 9.76. to speak on a subject full of prac- Spot quotations were not disturbed.

Besides these three speakers, a trouble upon your part, until you number of others are on the pro- tionally lower. New Orleans sold change your postoffice address or gram for papers and short talks of 4.450 bales on a basis of 9% for midinterest. McDuff Simpson will dling; and Memphis sold 2400 bales talk on the always interesting sub. at 9% for the same grade. Port reject, "Plant Physiology." Rev. J. day 1902, 18,056; same day 1901, 20,-A. Freeman is on the program for 124; same day 1900, 23,175; same day a talk on "Practical Plan for Co- 1899, 22,775; same day 1898, 27,855. operation in Truck Growing."

and papers. All are invited to ponding day last season, 8,726. come out and enjoy a day of communion on important points con- 4000 to 5000 bales, same day last year nected with the great business of 3843. Galveston expects tomorrow the people—agriculture—a day de- 3000 to 4000 bales, same day last year voted to the study of the problems 3300 to 3600 bales, same day last year that confront the farmer and the 1337. public.

### Death of Mrs. Folks.

Mrs. Mary Jane Folks, wife of Mr. Wm. Folks, died at Maverick, Runnels county, on Wednesday, March 4, of pneumonia, after an illness of eleven days. She leaves a husband and six children to

mourn for her. Mrs. Folks was formerly a resident of Wickson Creek community, and afterwards of Edge, and the announcement of her death will bring sorrow to the hearts of many friends in Brazos county. She was a good woman, kind to every one, a good woman, kind to every one, April and devoted to her family, who May have the sympathy of all in their June July

### BRAZOS COUNTY FARMERS INSTITUTE | TELEGRAPHIC GOTTON MARKETS.

Meeting Next Thursday, March 26, at 10 Memphis Cotton Letter-Yesrerd a y Liverpool and New York Spot and Future Markets-Port Receipts Yesterday and Comparisons.

Memphis, Tenn., March 18—Liver- Stone City; W. H. McMichael, T. 11 a. m. an open at 10:30 to pool recorded an advance of four W. Frame, Edge; H. F. Prinzel, points on spot cotton today, but sus- August Prinzel, Kurten; J. P. Roytained a decline of 11/2 points on ar- der, Wellborn; L. C. Sellers, Chas. rivals. May and June sold on first one of the ablest speakers on agri- call at 5.23 and closed easy at 5.18.

> New York commenced the day at clined to 9.78, advanced to 9.81, declined to 9.72, reacted to 9.77, and Middling 10 cents; sales 300 bales.

The southern markets as a rule were easy and some of them frac-

Interior receipts were relatively Others are listed for short talks larger, the five principal towns re-

New Orleans expects tomorrow

The market has been dull and featureless all day with nothing new on the situation worthy of comment.

### FUTURE MARKETS.

LIVERPOOL.					
Closing Yesterday close					
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Closed steady.					
NEW YORK					

NEW YORK.
Closing Yesterday's close
9.81-82......9.83

### Announcements!

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andidate for re-election to the of City Secretary at the ensu ty election in April.

The Liverpool spot market opened quiet and steady. Receipts 18,000 bales. Sales, 7,000; exports 500. Middling 5.36—yesterday 5.32.

New York.—Middling 10c, quiety yesterday, 10c. 300 bales delivered on contract.

New Orleans.—Spots easy. Middling in the ensuing city of the contract of e Eagle is authorized to an W. J. ROBERTS candidate for City Marshal of

yan at the ensuing city election in The Eagle is authorized to an-T. P. BOYETT

The leading futures ranged as follows: as a candidate for re-election to the Articles Open High Low Close Y'dy choffice of City Marshal at the ensuing city election in April. The Eagle is authorized to an

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> ROGER T. BOYLE candidate for alderman of the of Bryan, subject to the will of

Irish Pawnbrokers," three acts of oters at the ensuing April election at the opera house, Tuesday Eagle wishes to announce night, March 24. The famous inven-J. B. PRIDDY tors of fun, Sullivan and Mack, and

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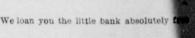
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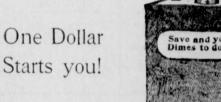
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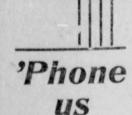
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Large pearl buttons at Coulter's. 87 Miss Lou Ware is visiting in

New silk grape trimmings at Coul. at Cole Hardware Co.

Judge Brietz visited Millican yes-

Dr. Oliver visited Millican yes-

Jno. James of Madisonville was here yesterday.

Capt. J. Adoue of Calvert was in the city yesterday.

August Prinzel of Kurten was in the city yesterday.

Robt. Armstrong returned from Houston yesterday.

O. L. Miller is out again after four weeks tussle with the grip.

Plenty of fresh keg pickles just re-

ceived by Sanders Bros. & Co.

Wanted-Three or four good young mules, well broke. J. R. Astin. 88

airs. W. W. Porter of Houston is the guest of Mrs. Hattie Harbers. Mrs. George Winter is visiting her

mother, Mrs. Froehlich, at Navasota. Capt. George Winter began drilling the Bryan Light Guards last

Mrs. Upson of Houston is the guest of Mrs. J. G. Harrison at Jno. K. Davis.

C. T. Harper, an attorney of Madisonville, was here on business yes-

A good piano and machine for sale cheap. Phone No. 9. Mrs. George Jenkins.

Mrs. M. C. Wing left for Houston yesterday to visit her daughter, Mrs.

Frank King. Sam Johnson left for Houston yesterday where he has a position in the

drug business. Mrs. Sam Riggs left for Lexington, Texas, yesterday after a visit to Mrs. Jno. M. Caldwell.

D. B. Hatch, representing the Scarff & O'Connor Co., was here yes- Harrison. She has just returned terday from Dallas.

liance were in the city yesterday

Star Mineral Wells water on sale at McDougald's drug store. Dr. R. H. Harrison, agent.

Aluminum Polish will keep your stove from rusting. Price 25 cents

Lock McDaniel of Houston is attending district court as an atterney n the Bill Young case.

Marriage licenses issued: James F. Ransom to Annie Belle Grice, Mrs. E. W. Crenshaw is visiting at Wm. Sauls to Mary Isham.

Leo L. Penn will leave today to enlist for service in the United States navy as a machinist or gunner.

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Burt Norwood.

Misses Clara Kelso of Wheelock and Della Grice of Tabor are in the city visiting relatives and friends.

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Good shoes wear good, look good the new styles, in plain and patent Burt Norwood. 87 shapes.

Miss Eglan Neblett of Anderson P. M. Yarborough, ex-sheriff of left for Navasota yesterday after a Grimes county and ex-mayor of visit to Dr. and Mrs. J. T. Brown of Navasota, is nere visiting Mr. and

Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Grogan of his daughter.

grader at work yesterday on the bus- N. Henderson. iness streets, which are again smoothand in good shape.

J. D. Freeman, foreman of the Southern Pacific shops at Houston, was here yesterdey as a witness in the Bill Ysung case.

I want every lady in town to come and look at new line of wool and silk skirts—a pretty line of new up-to-date skirts. W. J. Coulter. 87

Mrs. M. A. Evetts of Benchley is the guest of her daughtei, Mrs. R. H. from a visit to relatives at Houston.

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merly of this city, arrived yesterday

Anadarko, Oklahoma, April 1. Mr.

vesterday making arrangements for

Jack Shaw has returned from Mad-

isonville where he went to take Mrs.

Gus Steele of Navasota, who was

macher. Mr. Shaw says the levee at

the Democrat crossing is very rough and full of holes and hard to get over.

Civil Engineer L. A. Gueringer,

work on the Madisonville branch of

move forward again. Four miles of

track has been laid out of Navasota, and the work stopped to wait for a

tent hands.

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### Ransom-Grice.

Mr. James T. Ransom of Houston and Miss Annie Belle Grice of this city were married at 3:15 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the and fit good. You get all this when vici, corona and kid, made in straps, home of the bride's parents, Mr. you get a pair of American shoes or cross straps, oxfords and all new and Mrs. W. B. Grice, Rev. E. L. Shettles officiating. There were no attendants and only relatives and a few friands were present. Mrs. John M. Felder. The latter is The couple left soon after the ceremony via the H. & T. C. for the Hearne were visitors to the city yes- Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Stone and little groom's home in Houston. The terday and guests of Mr. and Mrs. son and Mrs. Russell Watkins ar- bride is a charming girl of many rived from Ballinger yesterday and accomplishments, and was reared Marshal Boyett had the street are guests of Judge and Mrs. John in Bryan. The groom is H. & T. C. baggage master at Houston. He formerly lived in Bryan and was Make your horse look better teel on a visit to friends. Mr. Sanders is check clerk at the H. & T. C. freight better and do better by having him a traveling salesman, representing depot. He left here last April. clipped at Nabors Bros. livery sta-ble. Charges \$2.50. unite in wishing them abundant Seigle & Co. will open business at happiness.

> B. Seigle will leave for that place The case of Bill Young, charged the latter part of the month. The with bringing stolen property into Bryan store will be left in compe- the county, is attracting no little attention in the district court. After Martin James, T. T. and John a day and a half spent in pleadings Cammack, G. W. and Joe Oneal, J. before the court, a jury was secured B. Williamson, J. M. Wilson, F. R., early yesterday afternoon and the examination of witnesses began. The B. Williamson, J. M. Wilson, F. R.,
> Lucian and Garland Madole were
> here from Madison county yesterday.
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> Jack Flynn, advance agent for the
> Gagnen-Pollock Stock Co., was here
> J. Riley, Albert Schutz,
> Gus Stevener, T. A. Hensarling, J. To Pate, O. L. Miller, Lum Benson,
> Philip Hensarling, J. T. Cartledge,
> Will McCullough, M. G. Buchanan,
> J. P. B. Graham, Judge Lock Mc-Daniel and Sam R. Henderson are counsel for the defendant, and Disa four nights' engagement for his trict Attorney Hudson and County show, which opens Wednesday, Attorney Nagle represent the state.
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> March 25, with "On the Verge of The state's witnesses were examined yesterday afternoon and a night session was held.

The corrected list of notaries public, as sent to the governor by Senacalled to Madisonville by the illness tor Harper and Representative Founof her daughter, Mrs. E. D. Schu- tain, appears this morning.

#### Hotel Arrivals. EXCHANGE

T P McGowen, New Orleans: T P Higgins, Boston; A.S. Wagner, Cotton Belt; M. H. Rosenthal, New York; E.J. Byrne, New York; J.F. Ransom, who is in charge of the construction work on the Madisonvine Bladen of the I. & G. N., passed through this city yesterday, and in reply to inquiry stated that the work, so long quiry stated that the work, so long the bad weather, is ready to lege; Henry Cook, New Orleans. ARCADE.

J N Daniel, Blossom; E Clinton, Houston; E L McCauley, Mart; T K Turney, R L Culver, Houston.

CENTRAL

pile driver which will arrive today. Mr. Gueringer says with fair weather J D Freeman, J W Gallian, W M the road should reach Anderson in Henderson, Houston; W R Adams, Iola; Chas Chaney.

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#### Election Ordinance.

Be it ordained by the City Council

of the city of Bryan: That an election for city offices. to-wit: Marshal, Secretary, and three said city, at the city hall in Bryan, on the first Tuesday in April next, it being the 7th of said month, and the presiding officer, together with such others as he may appoint, shall hold said election in accordance and the state law governing elec-

Adopted by the City Council and approved by the Mayor, this the 28th day of February, 1903.

R. H. Harrison, C. M. Spell, S. B. C.

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#### MONEY SPEAKS.

Senator Says the President Has Caused General Disgust. Washington, March 18 .- In accord-

ance with notice previously given, Senator Money of Mississippi spoke on the Indianola postoffice case. Mr. Money said that it was the duty of the postmaster general to "heal the breech which had been created." "The postoffice department has made the people of the south hate the administration, "The people of the south had hoped Mr. Roosevelt would be an American president, but instead he is the president of the black belt." His appointments, he said, had caused general disgust. He had raised the question of the social equality of the negro. Mr. Money said recent appointments had revived the race question. The south has tolerated negro office holders, but does not want any more of

"This is a white man's country and government." There was a feeling in the south, he said, that no colored man should hold office.

#### PAPERS EN ROUTE.

The Celtic Having Them on Board Has Left Liverpool.

London, March 18.—Extradition papers in the case of Whitaker Wright, rest at New York, were mailed on the steamer Celtic, which has sailed from Liverpool. John Flower, chairman of the shareholders' committee, which has instigated Wright's prosecution, informed a representative of the Asso-ciated Press that by advice of his lawyers he declined to reply to Wright's prejudice against him by circulating untruths, taking the ground that it would be highly improper for him to say anything which might prejudice the result of the trial. As to personal charges he added there is no need for contradiction, as they are obviously

#### PROFESSOR JAILED.

He Refused to Be Vaccinated or Pay a Tine as Result of Refusal.

Knoxville, Tenn., March 18.-A special to the Sentinel from Asheville, N. head of a leading educational institution, has been sent to jail because he refused to be vaccinated and also because of his refusal to pay a fine of \$25 for said refusal. Vaccination was odrered as a precaution against small-pox. Prof. Weaver, it is said, may in-stitute legal proceedings against the authorities and may take the case before the supreme court of North Caro-

#### Anti-Merger Case Up.

St. Louis, March 18.-Hearing of the arguments in the anti-merger case of New Jersey began in the United States court of appeals before Judges San-born, Caldwell, Thayer and Vandevanter. Judge Caldwell announced the attorneys would not be limited as to time in presentation of arguments. James M. Beck, assistant attorney general, opened for the government.

#### Two Men Were Killed.

Pittsburg, March 18.-Fort Wayne freight train crashed into the furniture van of the North Side Transfer company at the Sandusky street crossing wrecking the van and killing two men. Two others are seriously injured. Killed: John McKnight, head severed from body; Albert Cornelius, body crushed. Injured: William Bustler and John McGreavy. The van was completely wrecked and two horses

Burdick Inquest Postponed. Buffalo, N. Y., March 18 .- The Burdick inquest has been postponed until Monday next. District Attorney Coatsworth is suffering from a sore throat and cannot speak without great diffi-

#### FIRST OF APRIL.

Senate Sites This as the Definite Date of

Which to Adjourn. Austing, March 18 .- The senate passed house concurrent resolution providing for sine die adjournment April 1, and clinched it by tabling a motion to reconsider. This means that the general appropriation bill will hardly be passed at this session, and that it is almost certain there will be a special session.

From this time rorward both branches of the legislature probably will work under high pressure, crowding measures through without devoting much time to their consideration. There are thirteen legislative days

The house for the second time killed the joint resolution providing for the submission of a constitutional amendment to extend the terms of trustees of public schools, state educational institutions and elemosynary Returned Missionary Asserts That it Has members of the City Council, shall institutions. Hhis was a platform de be held by the qualified voters of mand, but it lacked a few votes of mand, but it lacked a few votes of getting the necessary two-thirds.

The house spent the greater portion of Tuesday afternoon in listening to the fight between Mr. Schluter of Marion county and Mr. Blalock of Harrison county as to whether Harrison with the city charter and ordinances county should be exempt from the operation of the fish protective law It was the same fight which they made two years ago. It arise because of the fact that Caddo lake lies between the two counties mentioned. It went over

During the consideration of the bill Mr. Napier created some amusement by making a speech in which he de clared that the bill was the most important measure before the legislature, overshadowing the appropriation bill, which the house had refused to consider, as well as the anti-trust merger and other administration meas-

Nearly every member of the legisla ture wore shamrocks Tuesday in honor of the natal day of Ireland's patron saint.

#### Texas Afternoon Press.

Houston, March 18.-Texas Afternoon Press association met here Tuesday officers and directors were all reelected. Directors: T. B. Johnson, San Antonio Light; E. J. Kiest, Dallas Times Herald; George W. MacDonnell, Austin Tribune; M. E. Foster, Hous-ton Chronicle; A. E. Thompson, Denison Herald. Officers: T. B. Johnson president; E. J. Kiest, vice president George McDonnell, secretary and treasurer; Judge W. W. Walling of San Antonio, attorney. Latter was thank-ed for services. Members attended banquet in honor of St. Patrick.

Lampasas, Tex., March 18 .- The closing day of the Young Men's Christian association convention had among other interesting features the raising of \$1300 to assist the state secretary in his work. Report of committees showed much good work had been accomplished the past year. A woman's auxiliary was authorized and Miss Kate Daffan of Ennis elected president.

#### Cause Must Be Shown.

Paris, Tex., March 18 .- In the federal court in the case of Adolphus Busch & Co. asking temporary injunction against Grayson county commisa director of the London and Globe sioners restraining them from putting Finance corporation, who is under ar local option into effect Judge Bryant ordered commissioners to appear at Sherman on the 23d and show cause why such writ should not be granted.

### Seventh District Bankers.

Wichita Falls, Tex., March 18.-The fourth annual meeting of the Seventh District Bankers' association was held cable message to G. S. Barnes, official here with a fair attendance. Sam Webb liquidator of the corporation saying of Albany responded to the address Wright's enemies seek to create a of welcome by A. D. Anderson at some discussed.

#### MOST SHOCKING.

Killed Daughter and Mother Burned the House and Perished.

Penn Yan, N. Y., March 18.-In a frenzy of mania Mrs. James Strowbridge of Guayanoga village, five miles from here, killed her daughter, aged twenty-six years, and her mother, aged eighty years, and after setting fire to the house in which the bodies lay, C., says: Prof. T. A. Weaver, at the deliberately entered and perished in the flames

Exactly when or how the two were killed is unknown. The first intima-tion he neighbors had of the tragedy was Tuesday, when Mrs. Strowbridge's house was found to be on fire, and im mediately afterward she was seen to set fire to another house across the street in which her daughter lived and also to two barns in which there were eighteen head of cattle and three horses. When a party of men attempted to break open the barn to release the animals Mrs. Strowbridge, who was standing in front of her blazing home, the United States government against brandished a revolver firing at them the Northern Securities company of repeatedly. Several of the men made a rush, hoping to close with the mad woman and disarm her, but she held them at bay with the revolver. While they were hesitating she suddenly cut her throat, filled a pail of water at the well, thrust a quantity of straw and hay into it and placing the whole mass on her head, rushed into the blazing house in which her charred body and the bodies of her daughter and mother were found after the fire had burned itself out.

#### Large Amount.

White Plains, N. Y., March 18.-A verdict for \$70,000 damages against the New York Central road was award ed by a jury of the supreme court for the death of Ernest F. Walton of New Rochelle, who was a victim of the Park Avenue tunnel accident. Mr. Walton was a member of the New York stock exchange.

#### Jones Again a Candidate.

Toledo, O., March 18.—Mayor S. M. Jones has announced his candidacy for the fourth term as a non-partisian. He gave out a characteristic letter.

#### PEOPLE THANKED.

King of Saxony Writes a Letter Expressing His Gratitude to Subjects.

Dresden, March 18 .- The King of Saxony has written an open letter to his people thanking them for the proof of their sympathy with him in the "recent sad misfortune which had be fallen himself and his family.

The king expresses the hope that the "perturbation and excitement which seized on a large section c the population in consequence of the distressing events of last winter" will now give place to quietude and the old feeling of confidence.

In conclusion he begs the people not to believe those who aver that "behind all the miserable business lies a tissue of falsehood and deception, but to believe the word of your king, that this infinitely painful affair arose solely from the ungovernable passion of a woman who had long before secrely

#### BOXER MOVEMENT.

Two Distinct Phases.

San Francisco, March 18.-W. B. Bentley, a missionary who has been for a number of years at Shanghai, has just arrived here. In speaking of the situation in China he said: "The latest atrocity committed by Boxers was the murder of three missionaries in the province of Chi Li. All missionaries are flocking into the cities, as the country is no longer safe for foreignhas two distinct phases. In south place. Going at \$900. China the movement is against the dynasty, while in the northern part the cry is, 'Down with foreigners.' The cry is, 'Down with foreigners.' The entire movement is not actuated by the Boxers, but by a class known as the chard. Selling for \$500. Easy terms. Boxers, but by a class known as the Reform party. In the northern part there is an anti-foreign feeling, min- tion. gled with hatred of the dynasty. Throughout China there is a lack of co-operation among the reformers, and probably for some time to come the outbreaks will be of small propor-

#### Promptly Paid.

Caracas, March 18.—The Venezuelan government accepts without reserve the protocols signed by Minister Bow en and the representatives of the powers at Washington. Proof of this was shown in the payment to the German minister of the first installment amounting to about \$70,000 of the \$340,000 pledged to Germany in satisfaction of that countrys claim of hon-Minister von Pelldram was conducted to the Venezuelan foreign of fice by United States Charge D'Afaires Russell and the sum was paid out to the German minister.

#### Troops Have Been Dispatched.

Montevideo, Uruguay, March 18 .-Troops have been despatched to various points to check the revolution which has broken out in the department of Rivera, Flores and Maldonado, and a gunboat having a quantity of arms on board sailed for Rocha. It is believed that a state of siege will be declared. In departments where the revolution has broken out the white party predominates.

#### American Suicided.

City of Mexico, Mex., March 18 .-Franceis Whittemore, an American about thirty years of age, committed suicide in the Hotel Jardin by taking morphine. He was unknown here, and left no papers to explain the cause of his suicide nor to indicate his antecedents. He had been staying at the hotel two days and had made no

#### North Well Known.

Boston, March 18 .- S. N. D. North, who has been appointed director of the ome by A. D. Anderson at some Matters of importance were did not some by A. D. Anderson at some is well known in manufacturing circles throughout the country. He is secretary of the National Association of Wool Manufacturers.

Bridgeport, Conn., March 18.—Two children of Mr. and Mrs. James Wel-don of Whiting Lane are dead and sult of eating apples which had been poisoned with paris green to kill rats

Commandant Joubert Ill.

City of Mexico, Mex., March 18 .-Commandent Joubert, one of the members of the visiting Boer delegation wound received during the South Af rican war.

### GENERAL NEWS.

Amarillo, Tex., has a Business Men's Governor Lanham has signed the

"blind tiger" bill. A line from Amarillo, Tex., to San

Antonio is contemplated. A number of naval recruits are be-

ing secured at Waco, Tex. James D. Dugger, a prominent citizen of Waco, Tex., is dead.

Stockmen around San Angelo, Tex.,

are poisoning prairie dogs. Several scarlet fever cases are reported at Colorado City, Tex.

While sick in bed Governor Ferguson of Oklahoma signed twenty-six bills. The Santa Fe will straighten and

ballast its track from Somerville to Conroe, Tex. Steve Jaicaimo, an Italian miner, was killed by two negro highwaymen

at Krebs, I. T. During the union meeting at Bon. ham, Tex., there have been over 100 have prompt and careful attention. At the fair grounds, Bryan.

1 am prepared to clip horses and do horse denta work, castrating, etc. Any orders given me will have prompt and careful attention. At the fair grounds, Bryan.

92 M. L. MOORE.

Chickasaw and Choctaw townsite commissioners have been ordered to suspend work until after July 1.

Superintendent Campbell of the public schools of Guthrie is to be president of the new normal school at Weatherford, Okla.

Tulane university, New Orleans, has conferred the degree of doctor of laws upon Prefessor Houston of the agri cultural and mechanical college.

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